PTO/SB/22 (10-00)

Approved for a U.S. Patent and Trademark Off

through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE t displays a valid OMB control number

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional) 18484-001200

In re Application of Bridenbaugh et al. Application Number 09/121,798 Filed July 23, 1998 METHODS FOR PURIFYING NUCLEIC ACIDS Group Art Unit Examiner 1636 Sandals, William This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ ☐ . Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ ☑ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$890 ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown \boxtimes above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$445 . A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. П The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, \boxtimes or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 20-1430. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. I am the

applicant/inventor. \square assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71 Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). P-47,932 WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. March 20, 2001 Date Peter Seperack, Reg. No. P-47932 Typed or printed name NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are require forms if more than one signature is required, see below*. *Total of 1 forms are submitted. Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.1 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the next comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND

03/26/2001 CCHAU1

00000083 201430 09121798

02 FC:217

445.00 CH

SF 1202680 v1

#13